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Student activities director candidates speak at SU

By Vanessa Junkin
Staff Writer

SU currently doesn't have a student activities director, but the University is looking for someone to fill the position before the next academic year begins.

So far, three candidates were chosen by the search committee to come to SU — Jennifer Blackwell, Yorgun Marcel and Jason Enser.

Each spent a busy day on campus that included open sessions with Registered Student Organization leaders, other students and staff members.

Blackwell, recently the Director of Student Activities at Wesley College in Dover, Del., was the first to speak on March 5.

Experienced in fields such as leadership, advising, volunteer management, Greek life, service-learning and programming, Blackwell said she can bring a new perspective to SU.

She discussed various aspects of student activities, including co-curricular activities, involvement, leadership and civic engagement.

After working to benefit various successful programs at Wesley, Blackwell mentioned ways to start increasing attendance at campus events



Jennifer Blackwell



Jason Enser



Yorgun Marcel

and also ways to create additional school spirit.

"I enjoyed working as the Director of Student Activities at Wesley College because I was given an opportunity every day to engage and empower student leaders," she said.

Blackwell said she is used to working in a collaborative setting and also noted that consistency is important for organizations, along with having the organizations meet requirements.

"I believe I would succeed in the director position at SU because I bring with me a combina-

tion of experience, enthusiasm and initiative," she said.

Marcel, Director of Student Activities at the College of Santa Fe in Santa Fe, N.M., was the next to come to SU on March 6. Marcel discussed experience with college student activities starting in his undergraduate years. More recently, he has had success with drawing large audiences to the concerts at the College of Santa Fe.

When putting together events such as the concerts, Marcel makes sure that different

organizations work together with synergy to make things successful.

Working without graduate assistants, "the only way I can operate is to make sure that all these things work together," said Marcel of the organizations at his college.

Marcel also discussed the benefits of students becoming involved in activities that relate to potential careers, noting that academics come first and organizations can begin to add to students' professional experiences.

He said how hearing what students want and seeing the students focused on getting what they want done both help to make ideas

work.

"It's important to really get the feedback that we need in order to implement what you feel is necessary," Marcel said.

On March 9, Enser, the Director of Student Activities at Hilbert College in Hamburg, N.Y., visited SU.

Socialization, education, service, leadership and diversity are all important parts of student activities.

See Director Pg.2

Firing up the grill



Sarah Lake photo

Freshmen Mark Watroba and Colby Andersson prepare to cook hotdogs and hamburgers in the Quad Sunday afternoon. Just one week earlier, Salisbury got four inches of snow in what was the biggest storm the city has seen since 2004. This Sunday, temperatures reached 77 degrees. Students clearly took advantage as many could be found tanning, throwing frisbees and footballs and, as seen above, cooking out.

Mayoral candidate aims to mend university, city relations



Internet photo
Gary Comegys

By Jonathan Moynihan
Staff Writer

Last Tuesday, Gary Comegys emerged as one of the leading candidates for mayor, as the city of Salisbury

voted him second behind Jim Ireton in its mayoral primary elections.

The retired fireman and now city council vice president may be 54 years old, but his ideas could be deemed "youthful" which may prove to be rewarding considering his newest challenge of running against 38-year-old Ireton. A passion for the environment and a desire for unity between the city of Salisbury and its university is what's most important, Comegys said.

"I want to chart a new direction for the city," he said. "I've got a good background as well as a rounded working knowledge of city government and the issues facing the town."

Comegys first came to the area as a student of Salisbury State University.

Before receiving a degree, he left to work for the Maryland State Highway Administration, where he worked for the next 35 years. Since then, he has spent four years as city council vice president, served on the Municipal League as district vice president, worked as a fireman and served as president of the board of directors for the Humane Society. These experiences have shaped Comegys into a worthy candidate and, according to him, a more experienced mayoral option than any of his competitors.

"I have a vast amount of administrative and executive experience, more so than any other candidate," he said.

It's this commitment and consistent involvement to the area that led Lana Jarrett to stand outside an election location from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. while

Comegys to go up against Ireton in general election

holding a sign supporting Comegys.

While braving the 20-degree temperatures, Jarrett said, "He's the total package. He knows what's best for the town, and his consistency is very important to me. 35 years on one job tells you something!"

In addition to his community involvement, Comegys has highlighted key points which outline the values of his platform. Ranging from safer streets to an improved environment, his motto of "proven leadership" focuses on "fresh new thinking" and unity. His campaign for "One Salisbury" focuses on all members of the community to act as one to ensure a brighter future for the city.

A large part of this mentality falls upon his hope for better city-university

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Violence in Mexico may damper plans for break

By Laura Dignan
Staff Writer

Excitement on campus is building as SU approaches spring break 2009. While many students enjoy their week at home or travel within the United States, over 100,000 American teenagers and young adults travel to Mexico for spring break each year.

This year, however, students may wish to reconsider their spring break plans. Earlier this month, the U.S. Department of State issued a warning for those planning a trip to Mexico due to the increased amount of violence taking place in the country.

The warning explained that most of the violence is taking place near the U.S. and Mexican border due to drug trafficking. However, even dangers within the country — such as robberies, homicide and kidnapping — have increased over the past year. Many kidnappings and other violent crimes against U.S. citizens in Mexico have gone unsolved.

University Police Chief Edwin Lashley sent an e-mail to the campus community that included a link to the Department's official warning, which can be found at http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/pa/pa_3028.html.

He also included a link with helpful tips called "Know Before You Go!" which can be found at http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/spring_break_mexico/spring_break_mexico_2812.html.

"This information was sent out to keep students informed and safe," said Ellen Neufeldt, SU's Vice President of Student Affairs. "We don't want our students in harm's way and when we hear about something like this it is best that everyone is aware of the situation."

The many tips and cautions students should practice if traveling to Mexico include using common sense when in foreign territory, never going out alone and avoiding going out at night, phoning home periodically to assure family or friends of your safety and, if possible, leaving family an itinerary.

SEE Mexico Pg. 2

Briefly Stated

Green is the New Gold

The Small Business Development Center (SBD) at SU sponsors a green business training course Tuesday, March 10, from 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. in Room 103A of the Workforce Development Center at Wot-Wic Community College.

"Green is the New Gold: Business Opportunities in the New Green Economy" explores how going green can save money, make a business more competitive and lead to overall growth of the business, all while improving the health of the community. A free business planning clinic is included.

To register, call Roberta Creeron at 410-727-4921, ext. 13, or e-mail rcreeron@webinc.org.

For questions about this or any other SBD-sponsored event, contact Brooke Berezowski at 410-543-6516 or babere-zowski@salisbury.edu.

Washburn Lecture

Celebrating Women's History Month, Dr. Melanie Perreault, chair of Salisbury University's History Department, presents the 2009 Washburn Distinguished Lecture in American History 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 25, in the Wicomico Room of the Guerrieri University Center.

Titled "Servants, Slaves, and Unruly Mistresses: Interpersonal Violence in the Early Chesapeake," her talk examines how acts of violence both challenged and reinforced community standards in the Chesapeake Bay region during the 17th century. Perreault will focus specifically on the issues that led people to engage in violent acts against each other.

Admission is free and the public is invited. For more information call 410-543-6312 or visit the Nabb Research Center Web site at <http://nabbhistory.salisbury.edu>.

Upcoming GUC Events

St. Patrick's Day Event - Tuesday, March 10, noon-3 p.m., outside Student Activities Office: Come celebrate the Irish culture a week early.

Rock Band Tournament - Wednesday, March 11, 8 p.m., Fireside Lounge: Show off your musical talent. Sign up at the Information Desk.

Spring Break Safety - Thursday, March 12, noon-3 p.m., outside Student Activities Office: Find out vital facts before having spring break fun. Get important information on date rape, abduction, STD awareness and skin protection.

Social Worker Awareness Event - Tuesday, March 24, noon-3 p.m., outside Student Activities Office: Support and celebrate hard-working social workers.

Sushi Rolling Class - Tuesday, March 24, 6 p.m., Gull's Nest: SU's very own Chef Matt instructs this delicious sushi rolling class. Sign-up at the Information Desk.

Learn more about upcoming GUC Events at www.salisbury.edu/guc/gucevents.html.

Peer leader recruitment

Do you have great communication and leadership skills? Want to share what you've learned about Salisbury University? Then you need to work for us!!! The New Student Experience office is recruiting for Preview (course advising & registration) peer leaders for the full-day and half-day programs. These programs are the last two weeks of June. We need 12 students for the full-day program and 10 students for the half-day program! These are PAID positions. Also included is on-campus housing (if needed), shirts and meals program.

We will be there from 2:00 until 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 10th in the Wicomico Room of the Guerrieri Center! See you then!

Candidates to converse with students

By Sarah Lake
Editor-in-Chief

In an effort to strengthen ties between SU and its surrounding community, school officials are planning a discussion between students and Salisbury's mayoral candidates - an event they are calling "A Night with the Candidates."

Candidates will focus on issues surrounding the involvement of students in city politics, said Bobby Audley, SGA's vice president of external affairs.

"It's my job to promote school spirit," he said. "One thing I've been working on is the ideal that you're more than just an SU student; you're a member of the Salisbury community. I believe that if students get more involved in local politics, the community would listen more to what we have to say."

Questions for the candidates will be composed by several campus organizations, including student government, the SU Dems!, the College Republicans, the Conflict Analysis and Dispute Resolution Department and PACE. Candidates

will be given the questions one week before the event.

"We want them to come prepared with some sense of what students are worried about," said Jennifer Berkman, director of Student Health Services and member of the event's planning committee.

The event is an initiative sponsored by the University's Wellness Committee, of which Berkman is an acting official.

"Political campaigns can get ugly," she said. "So this is a great opportunity for the candidates to talk with students about how to have civil discourse and how to understand other people's positions."

The main focus of A Night with the Candidates, however, will be the gap between students and community members.

"We want to take students out of the mindset that Salisbury is just a temporary home," said Brian Lind, facilities coordinator in the GUC and member of the event's planning committee. "We want them to take more ownership of the community and their actions within it."

Audley said he would like to see

an SU student on city council.

"If you're not at the table, you're not going to have a voice," he said.

It is difficult, however, for a student to be elected to city council. Candidates must meet the following criteria: resident of Salisbury for at least one year, 18 years of age or older, registered voter in Salisbury and willing to sign on for a four-year term.

A Night with the Candidates will be held Wednesday, March 25, at 7 p.m. in the Holloway Hall auditorium.

"I'm really excited about it because I love the idea of students becoming more involved in the local community," Lind said.

If you go

WHAT. A Night with the Candidates
WHERE. Holloway Hall auditorium
WHEN. Wednesday, March 25
COST. Free
INFO. Students and mayoral candidates discuss issues

Director

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ties, said Enser during an open session.

One reason Enser is attracted to the position at SU is because after working at small colleges, he said he would have the chance at Salisbury to oversee more self-sufficient organizations and take on more of a mentor role.

"I'd like to be at an institution where it's more student-driven," Enser said when discussing the SGA at SU versus at Hilbert. He has student government experience both as a student and advisor, and noted that this was the main reason he was drawn to the student activities director career.

Enser said he's done a lot of event programming and

helped to raise both the number of events held and the amount of attendees. He also teaches a course in student activities programming at Hilbert.

Although he hasn't overseen Greek life before as part of a director position, Enser said he would look forward to doing so. He discussed his Greek experience as a college student, alumni and advisor unaffiliated with the school.

The chosen director will be working closely with the graduate assistants from the student activities office.

"I think that having a director will definitely benefit the students. We are doing well without one, so just imagine what will happen when we do have one," said graduate assistant Jill Petrosillo.

Furloughs continue through semester

By Nick Lehwald
Staff Writer

Deep in the red, Maryland Governor Martin O'Malley signed an executive order last December to furlough most state employees this year. While the order does exclude state university workers, SU has voluntarily joined the rest of the state by instituting a furlough for all faculty and staff this semester.

"Even though that particular executive order did exempt the [university] system, the system did follow suit and implement furloughs for all the campuses in the system," said Marvin Pyles, director of human resources at SU. "Even the top executive staff took the maximum amount of six days."

"We tried to be empathetic to those people who are on the lower end of the pay scale," Pyles added, "to not hit them as hard as possible."

Spread out over the spring semester, all faculty will be furloughed anywhere from two to five days, while staff will receive two or more salary reductions. Employees received the days off as administrative leave and took their pay reductions over the course of 10 weeks.

"Instead of cutting out the money all at once, we took it out over a period of weeks. It ended up only being about eight dollars a paycheck for a lot of employees," Pyles said. Pyles and staff were creative in their implementation of the furlough. For instance, Martin Luther King Day was called a furlough day even though the University was closed.

"The other day is going to be a day during spring break. We'll do the same for Memorial Day, but the employee gets credited the holiday that they can take at their own leisure. So they get two days off but only lose one day's pay," Pyles said.

This does not affect contractual and student workers. They are exempt, so if they are scheduled to work on a furlough day, they simply get the day off.



Submitted photo

SU President Dr. Janet Dudley-Eshbach met with former U.S. President Bill Clinton to learn more about the Clinton Global Initiative.

Clinton's CGI program provides ideas for SU

By Laura Bounds
Staff Writer

Former President Bill Clinton once said, "Today's generation of young people holds more power than any generation before it to make a positive impact on the world."

Applying his philosophy in 2005, President Clinton established the Clinton Global Initiative (CGI) with the objective to turn ideas into actions and bring the world past its current state of crisis.

After attending the second annual CGI University meeting at the University of Texas in Austin Feb. 13 to 15, SU President Dr. Janet Dudley-Eshbach learned of the opportunities CGI provides for colleges across the country.

"One thing CGI's about is trying to redefine citizenship, civic engagement and getting college students nationwide involved in different types of projects," Dudley-Eshbach said. "It's very uplifting. With so much negative in the economy and violence in the country, to be making a difference is a very good vibe."

CGI brought together students, university presidents and nongovernmental and youth organizations to generate and apply change in focus areas of education, energy and climate change, global health, peace and human rights and poverty alleviation.

"While sitting at the meetings, I couldn't help but think how much we already do here at Salisbury University. For us this isn't a new concept; active citizenship is a big part of the University's mission statement," Dudley-Eshbach said. "Our students have taken initiative through activities like the Big Event, which fits nicely into the broader concept of CGI."

SU applies the project of citizenship and sustainability on campus and within the community. Efforts such as environmental courses, outreach issue programs and hands-on action like the Campus Compost Initiative all contribute in the attempt to reduce the school's carbon footprint.

"Our goal is to look at what we can do differently to support better environmental safe choices," said Wayne Shelton, director of Campus Sustainability and Environmental Safety. "Whether it's purchasing fair trade foods, organic products or buying from countries that don't have oppressive politics, it's all about being more green and using less energy. We have a wonderful environment where people are supportive and willing to share their experience and skills, a very positive thing for sustainability on campus."

"My goal is to bring together everyone's efforts, get a strong proposal to kick off our own major initiative and bring students to next year's CGI while receiving funding and national visibility for SU," Dudley-Eshbach said. "It's a great program and opportunity to connect to something bigger, because we all want to feel like we're contributing to making the world a better place."

Crime Beat

02/22/2009 12:10 a.m.
Off-Campus Assault

A student reported that another student assaulted him at his University Park apartment. A University Police officer completed a report of the incident to forward to Student Affairs for review. The complainant was referred to the Salisbury Police Department, the agency with jurisdiction at University Park.

02/26/2009 11:35 a.m.
Threatening Act

A University staff member, operating a motor vehicle, was followed by another motor vehicle from Camden Ave. into the Devilbiss Parking Lot. Allegedly upon over a traffic-related incident, the individual followed the staff member and shouted threats and profanity at her. A University Police Officer responded and intervened.

02/26/2009 8 p.m.
Suspicious Person

A library employee reported that a patron in the library made suspicious inquiries regarding I.T. network security.

02/28/2009 2:30 a.m.
Trespassing

A University Police Officer observed a student jump over the fence surrounding the parking garage construction site on Bateman Street. The student was identified and a report of the incident was forwarded to the Office of Student Affairs for review.

03/01/2009 2:30 a.m.
Malicious Destruction of Property

An occupant of a Saferide van broke one the vehicle's windows while traveling near Cynthia Place. A report was filed with the Salisbury Police Department.

03/03/2009 10:50 a.m.
Written Threat

The University Police Department received an anonymous report that a student had written a potentially threatening message upon his own Facebook Web page. University Police concluded that the student did not pose an imminent threat to anyone.

03/03/2009 4:42 p.m.
Drug and Campus Weapon Policy Violations

During a scheduled room inspection, members of Housing discovered two smoking devices and an air/pellet pistol in a Pocomoke Hall room. A University police officer responded, investigated and determined that the smoking devices contained burnt marijuana residue. A student faces criminal and campus judicial action.

Mexico

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any of your vacation so they know of your whereabouts at any given time.

Warning flags on beaches should be taken seriously. Never swim without a lifeguard present, as the undertow and surf are stronger and more common along beaches in Mexico. If traveling by taxi, only use the licensed and regulated "sitio" (SEE-tee-oh) taxis. It is strongly encouraged to stay in or near the resort areas.

"While traveling in Mexico, American citizens are subject to Mexican law," read the warning. "An arrest or accident in Mexico can result in a difficult legal or medical situation. U.S. citizenship in no way exempts one from full prosecution under the Mexican criminal justice system."

For more up-to-date information on safety, specifically in Mexico, visit http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_970.html.

For general security information for those traveling abroad, visit the U.S. Department of State's Web site at <http://travel.state.gov> where all worldwide caution, traveling warnings and travel alerts are posted.

Ireton and Comegys tentative primary election winners



Laura Emmons/The Daily Times photo

Jim Ireton rallies with supporters at Flavors of Italy last Tuesday.

By Stacie Manger
Staff Writer

Salisbury mayoral candidates Jim Ireton and Gary Comegys came out on top after the primary election held March 3, unofficially beating Bob Caldwell and Michael Della Penna. "We're still waiting for all of the votes to be counted. There isn't a definite number yet, but it looks like I'm still in the lead [over Caldwell]," Comegys said. "But I'm very optimistic and I look forward to talking to citizens and debating the issues with Jim Ireton. I look forward to the general election and I hope to win."

Ireton agreed with Comegys about talking to citizens. He said that walking door-to-door has always been the most fun in his campaigns, even as a teenager.

"Underneath Salisbury's rough-

and-tumble politics is an open-minded, happy-to-see-you, working class electorate that worries about bills, crime and their families," Ireton said.

According to the first results received Tuesday night, Ireton won the primary by a landslide. Comegys followed with Caldwell right behind him. The most recent report puts Comegys and Caldwell neck-and-neck, with only 23 votes separating them. Delmarva Now reported that Ireton was in high spirits and confident when he spoke at Flavors of Italy after he received the news.

Surprisingly, more voters turned out this year than the last election, even in the aftermath of the snowstorm. A Delmarva Now article said over 2,000 people voted, which is a drastic increase from the 800 in 2005.

However, that is still only 16 percent of registered voters. Absentee ballots are still coming in and being counted. A WBOC-TV report said the Board of Elections will count around 200 absentee ballots.

"There is a stark difference between Jim Ireton and myself," Comegys said. "And at the end of the day, I want Salisbury residents to understand those differences and know that I'm the right choice for mayor."

The official results will be posted on the Wicomico County Board of Elections Web site March 13 and the general election will take place in April. Information about both candidates can be found on their Web sites.

SGA forum focuses on Big Event, board election requirements

By Samantha Fisher
Staff Writer

The weekly SGA Forum was held March 8 to discuss future events and changes that the SGA hopes to make on campus. The main topic of discussion was the Big Event, a tradition that started in 1982 in order to help out the Salisbury community. This year's event will be held April 18. Anyone who is a part of Salisbury University can participate. For questions and/or concerns about how to sign up for this event, call the SGA office at 410-548-4757 or e-mail sgavpofia@salisbury.edu by Friday, March 27.

Students also discussed the new textbook policy, designed

to make textbooks more affordable. Recently passed in the Senate, it will soon be voted on in the House of Representatives. Proposed changes include a list of textbooks that would help students cut down on costs by knowing what books may be used for multiple semesters, preventing students from accidentally selling back books they will need to repurchase in the future. Students will soon receive an e-mailed survey about the suggested policy.

Several new clubs were approved at the meeting. These included the Jew Cru, the Quidditch Club, Salisbury Paranormal and the Playing Cards Club.

The SGA also discussed changes to their constitution that would make it easier for students to run for the organiza-

tion's executive board. In the past, the eligibility requirements have been so strict that many students have run unopposed.

SGA President Pat Gotham discussed this in detail. He said that "elections should be competitive" and that "every-one should be able to run." Students interested in running for office would have to be an "undergraduate, have at least a 2.5, [and] must be in good standing with SU."

Votes on these changes will be made at the next forum meeting on March 29. Other topics that will be discussed in more detail at the next forum include the Renter's Fair, Civility Day and an update on the on-campus parking situation.

Comegys

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sity relations. "SU provides us an identity as a city. I want to foster those relationships and make them stronger. Working with SU will allow us to tap into the talent and resources to help us become a better city."

It is important to get around the negative thought process associated with students, Comegys said. "The University is an economic engine for business and employment. Their spending power alone helps provide jobs."

Comegys' hope for increased university-city relations is equalled by his passion for the environment, and he hopes this platform will prove beneficial in the upcoming general election.

The general election occurs April 7, and until then Comegys will continue to campaign in the hopes of becoming the Mayor of Salisbury.

Students invited to help with Big Event

By Matthew Harhai
Staff Writer

In its fifth year of action, The Big Event community cleanup offers students the opportunity to help neighboring residents of SU with some spring tidying.

On Saturday, April 18, participating students will help residents around campus. Big Event organizers are hoping that not only will students get involved, but that the whole day will help to build relationships between permanent residents and students.

We are trying hard "to promote community relations by having the neighbors help the students," said Julia Glanz, SGA vice president of University Affairs.

The Big Event allows residents to choose what they wish to have help with, from raking leaves and washing windows to other activities specific to residents' situations such as moving furniture.

"We have 35 jobs so far have come in. We're shooting for about 60," Glanz said. She also noted that they are hoping to have over 300 students participate.

Tensions between students and residents fluctuate. Organizers recognize it is not always easy to form good community relations, and they are aware of the strain that is sometimes present.

"By meeting the community and getting to know and understand one

another most of those stereotypes go away," Glanz said.

The SGA believes that it is possible to build and maintain a good relationship with SU's neighbors, and the Big Event is an important step forward. During last year's event, nearly 300 students helped residents at 50 different job sites.

"This is an ongoing campaign for SGA and SU as a whole to better relations with the community, to help Salisbury out and keep students here after they graduate, to help them to feel like Salisbury's their home," Glanz said.

The deadline for applications to help

"By meeting the community and getting to know and understand one another, most of those stereotypes go away."

Julia Glanz
SGA VP of University Affairs

is Thursday, April 2.

Organizations or individuals interested in participating can obtain a project request form by e-mailing sgavpofia@salisbury.edu.

Questions about Big Event may be directed to Julia Glanz through GroupWise e-mail.



April Katsirubas photo

Dr. Linda Thompson Adams speaks to the campus community.

By Vanessa Junkin
Staff Writer

The third week of open sessions for provost/vice president of academic affairs candidates brought two people to SU - Dr. Linda Thompson Adams and Dr. Velmer Burton.

Adams, who held open sessions with the campus community on March 3 and 4, has worked in education as well as government.

Currently, she is the dean of the School of Nursing at Oakland University in Rochester, Mich., and is also a professor there.

At Oakland, Adams noted that she raised enrollment and funds, increased diversity and developed partnerships with businesses and the government.

Among other things, she discussed the value of general ed-

Weekly

Poll

We asked
100 SU
students:

Would you
travel to
Mexico for
spring
break?

29% YES
71% NO

Spring Break Safety Tips

Before you leave:

- Make sure you lock the windows and doors to your house/apartment.
- Let a neighbor know you are gone and ask them to keep an eye on your property. Ask them to report any suspicious activity to the police and furnish them with a phone number where you can be reached, if you are comfortable doing so.
- Keep your valuables out of plain view.
- Cancel the newspaper and mail, or ask a neighbor to collect them for you.
- Leave an outside light on. Use timers or leave an interior light on, in one or two rooms.

As you travel:

- Avoid driving for too long or when over-tired. Trade driving shifts if you have travel companions.
- Never drink and drive.
- Plan your route and look for safe areas to stop if you are lost or have an emergency. Keep someone informed of your travel progress so friends/family know where you are in the event that something goes wrong.
- Find out as much as you can about your destination. Many students have re-directed their travel plans due to crime, violence, weather, or other safety hazards. Talk with your travel agent, hotel staff or others who can inform you about safety issues in a timely manner.

In order to assure your personal safety:

- Travel in groups, especially at night.
- If you choose to drink, please do so responsibly. Keep a hand on your drink at all times and be aware of your surroundings and the people around you.
- Don't assume that someone you just met is a genuine friend. Be aware that college students are often "targets" for predators. Sexual assault and abduction are real concerns; since Spring Break provides an opportunity to interact with groups of strangers and students are in unfamiliar communities. It is important to create a plan of action for the night that includes watching out for one another.

Beached whales and dolphins saved in Tasmania



Getty Images photo

After 200 whales and dolphins beached themselves in Tasmania, about 150 volunteers pitched in to help save the helpless animals.

By Meredith Ray
Staff Writer

Rescuers were successful in returning 54 pilot whales and six bottlenose dolphins back to sea after almost 200 had beached themselves on King Island in Tasmania.

"It was one of the largest successful whale rescues in the state's history," said Tasmania's Parks and Wildlife Service spokesman Chris Arthur said.

Those saved whales and dolphins had beached themselves on Naracoopa Beach on March 1. The rescue began the next day with local volunteers working nonstop to keep the whales covered with water and wet tarps. About 140 whales had already died on the beach before the rescue began.

One difficult whale came back to shore three times after each failed rescue attempt. Rough seas and high winds made repeat efforts difficult, but rescuers finally swam the whale into deeper seas on Wednesday.

Approximately 150 people volunteered to help with the re-floating of the animals. Locals were first on the scene, quickly followed by marine professionals and local emergency crews.

"This means all the surviving stranded whales have now been re-floated. This rescue effort would not have been possible without the exceptional assistance of the local community," Arthur said.

Their greatest fear was that the cries of the dying pilot whales would attract a pod of another 200 whales out at sea and lead to more being stranded.

Usually, beached animals end up dying. Pilot whales are smaller than most other whale species, which helped lead to this success. Still, it took about twenty people to lift each whale, which weigh up to one-and-a-half tons. Special mats helped the volunteers lift the whales up and once the whales were in the water, jet skis and boats herded them away from the beach and into deeper water.

The dead whales will be buried just above Naracoopa beach. Arthur said that the local residents had been consulted on this decision.

Tasmania is an Australian island and state located off Australia's south coast. This is the fourth beaching incident in Tasmania since November. Researchers do not know why they occur so frequently in this area. Although they are quite common, it is very rare for dolphins and whales to become beached together.

HISTORY CORNER

March 10

1969- In Memphis, Tenn., James Earl Ray pleads guilty to assassinating Martin Luther King Jr. He would later retract his guilty plea.

March 11

1991- A curfew is imposed on black townships in South Africa after fighting between rival political gangs kills 49.

March 12

1930- Mahatma Gandhi leads a 200-mile march known as Dandi March to the sea in defiance of British opposition, to protest the British monopoly on salt.

March 13

1900- In France the length of the workday for women and children is limited to 11 hours by law.

March 14

1489- The Queen of Cyprus, Catherine Cornaro, sells her kingdom to Venice.

March 15

1985- The first Internet domain name is registered (symbolics.com).

March 16

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Md. seeks to strengthen energy regulations

By Sarah Duffy
Staff Writer

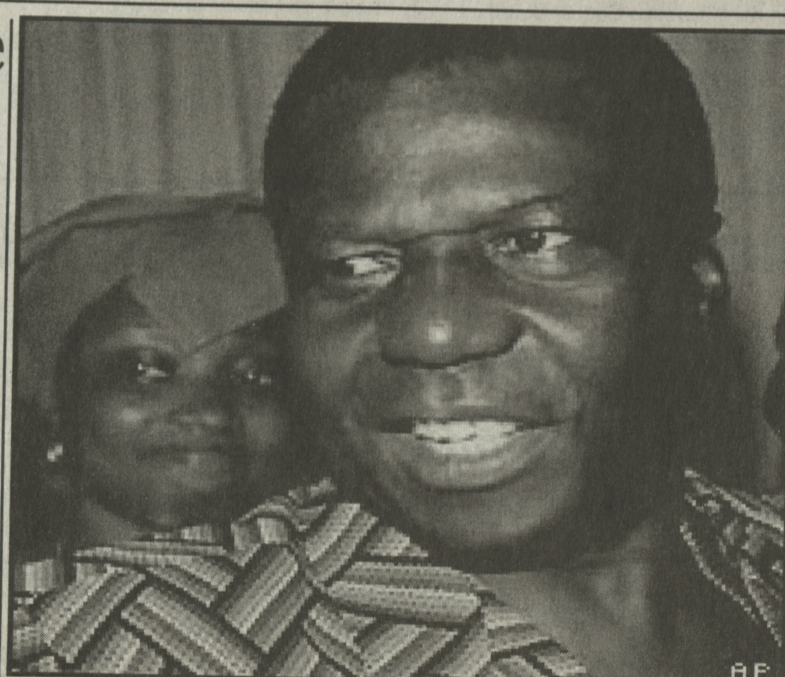
Maryland Governor Martin O'Malley said he will initiate new legislation that would give the Maryland Public Service Commission authority to decide when new energy generation is needed. In times of economic struggle, the governor hopes to lower the energy bills of all Maryland citizens. The legislation would grant the PSC power to order an energy company to build a new power plant as needed. On March 2, O'Malley said he wants to take a step back from the current deregulation of electricity markets by granting state regulators authority over those companies who fail to develop power plants out of private economic concern.

"I don't have to tell anyone, especially on a day like this in the cold winter, just what a tremendous amount of pressure Maryland families and especially people on fixed incomes are facing when you combine the national recession with rising energy bills," O'Malley said on March 2.

O'Malley said the solution is not a quick fix to such a serious problem for those customers tackling soaring costs. However, he said his budget for next year includes a record \$90 million to help low-income families pay utility bills. The Public Service Commission has also opened an investigation into the recent energy rate spike.

Industry officials warn that if Maryland strays from the deregulation, energy companies will avoid doing business in the state, lowering the choices for consumers. Many feel the governor's plan is politically calculated and insufficient. The new regulations will not affect the currently rising prices consumers are paying. However, the governor will continue to push for re-regulation.

"We cannot afford to tap our feet, stare at our watches and hope and pray that the markets will somehow deliver on its promises," O'Malley said.



AP photo

Joao Bernardo Vieira, right, the president of Guinea-Bissau, was murdered March 2 after speculation that he had arranged to kill his rival.

President of Guinea-Bissau assassinated

By Daniel McElwain
Staff Writer

President Joao Bernardo Vieira of Guinea-Bissau was assassinated March 2 at his home. The president of the tiny West African nation was killed in revenge by mutinous soldiers for the killing of political rival and Military Chief of Staff Gen. Batista Tagme Na Wai.

The assassinated general was killed in an explosion the previous day. Reports suggest that the killing was arranged by the assassinated president a day earlier.

The recent assassination has come in a long line of killings and coups that have torn through the tiny West African nation which has seen coup and counter-coup – the former president at one point going into exile in Portugal before making a return to the country. Vieira even survived a 3-hour attack on his home in 2008.

The attack on Vieira came early in the day as diplomats from the Angolan embassy attempted to bring the president and his wife to their embassy. The president refused to

leave his residence while his wife was taken to safety; observers described Vieira as calm but tense before his death. Accounts of the president's death vary, though. Some say that he suffered after living through the explosion caused by an RPG and was later hacked to death, while another account states that the president was severely beaten then killed by excessive shooting.

After the murder of the president, Guinea-Bissauan military officials rushed to declare that the assassination was not a coup and that the attack was just part of a rogue squad of the army who would be hunted down with full force. The leaders pledged to respect the law of presidential succession within the country and would push to hold national elections as soon as possible.

In the meantime, until national elections could be held, the National Assembly Speaker Raimundo Pereira would take over as interim president of Guinea-Bissau. Many of the citizens seem to be apathetic, caring more about their poor economy and widespread famine.

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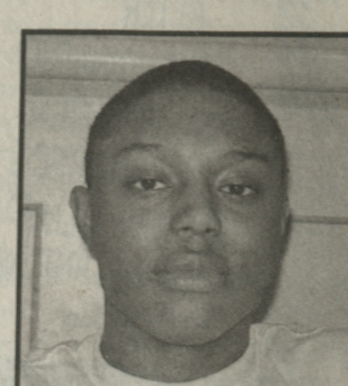
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"Australia."

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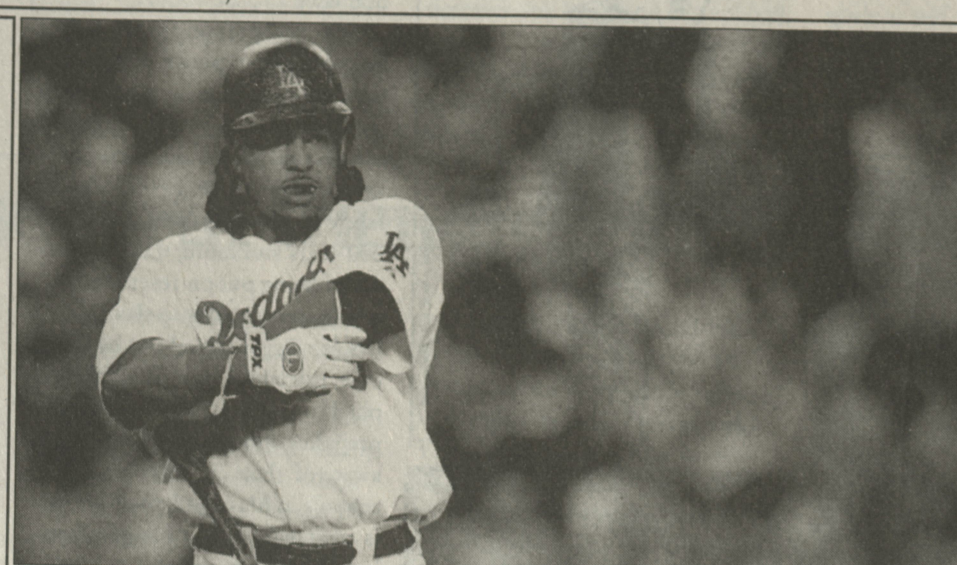
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Manny Ramirez (above), Ray Lewis and Kurt Warner disappointed many fans when they disputed their multi-million dollar contracts during a recession.

In tough economy, pro-athletes appear greedy

By Tripp Colonell
Staff Writer

In the economic situation, families have struggled to pay bills and put food on the table. That's why it's amazing to see how some athletes behave regarding contract negotiations.

Ray Lewis, Manny Ramirez, and Kurt Warner have a lot in common. They're all in the same scenario when it comes to their age, contract status and attitude towards their self-worth. You would think that these guys would be happy just to have a job right now, but apparently that is not the case.

While they all have recently signed contracts with their former teams, the fact that they held out for so long, insisting they were worth more, is appalling to average fans.

There's something about witnessing Ramirez turn down 40 million dollar offers repeatedly when others struggle to make ends meet. It doesn't seem right.

Lewis, the face of the Baltimore Ravens, went to the length of announcing that he would not be back in Baltimore at the start of free agency. The city that gave him a Super Bowl ring, signed his checks for 13 years, and supported him through thick and thin was suddenly cast aside – for money.

Death with dignity should be decided by patient

By Bethany Jeffries
Staff Writer

Washington state will be allowing dignity deaths to occur with Initiative 1000, the Death with Dignity Act, in November. Hospitals small and large are coming to terms with their own beliefs in this manner in deciding whether or not they will comply. The initiative allows for the prescription of an overdose of drugs to patients with less than six months to live. About a third of hospitals are actually complying, leaving individual decisions to the people that matter such as doctors, patients and to some extent health care providers, which is where the decision making should have been occurring from the very beginning. Lawmakers seem to take a good thing and run with it, cutting out the important details and making sure liability isn't spread around too thickly.

This is just another example of how much our government, be it federal or state, is trying to dip its fingers into everything it can – controlling aspects of our

Or so he thought. After testing the free agent market, Lewis came crawling back, not to the major multi-year deal he demanded, but still for \$22 million.

Warner was all but washed up before he won the job in Arizona. He didn't intend to leave the Cardinals, but still put fans through turmoil, even going as far as to visit the 49ers. After all was done, he signed for \$23 million, probably more than a 37-year-old quarterback flirting with retirement deserves.

Look at these situations from both perspectives. As an athlete, you want to gain as much financial security as possible before retirement. But is it fair to put your fans through all that drama? Professional athletes don't seem to realize that their every move is under examination. The way they conduct themselves on a daily basis is very public, and holding out on multi-million dollar contracts appears greedy to spectators.

As a Ravens fan, I will never view Lewis the same way. The man that was the Baltimore Ravens in my mind is now the poster boy for greedy athletes who think they're worth more than they are. While such behavior worked for these guys now, there will be a day when their reign of greed comes to an end.

lives that it has no right to. It should always be the patients' option what to do with their medications, and with their lives. Doctors can consult and health providers can notify, e-mail and complain, but ultimately, if a patient is old and ill and tired of treatments for a barrage of deadly diseases, he or she should hold the reins.

Too many times now we've heard of assisted suicides in the news; Dr. Kevorkian's name is a household term at this point. This law is just paving the way for those kinds of actions, starting with initiatives and getting ready for actual mandated laws. I'm not saying that government would support actions like the murder of hundreds of ill (or not so ill) patients in hospitals; but the reality is that rules and laws that are more and more designed to limit our actions are coming into effect. If a patient can't decide whether they've had enough of treatment or not, depending on their doctor or health care provider or whether this hospital acknowledges this new initiative, then it's beginning to be too much.

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South American President calls for end to drug war

By Kyra Milbourne
Staff Writer

The drug war in Latin America has been an ongoing battle. The Bush Administration couldn't fix it and now the stakes are high for the Obama Administration.

Drug lords have decided to fight back against the government's attempts to put an end to drug trafficking and usage. In the past week over 3,000 people have been killed, either through kidnapping or drug war. As the war gets closer and closer to the U.S. border, the U.S. is faced with the battling question of whether or not we should get involved, and if so, what can we do to stop it.

A recent 60 Minutes episode showed just how big of a problem this has become. Latin American ex-president Fernando Cardoso was made to resign by local drug gangs, threatening that if he didn't they would kill a person for every hour he refused to resign. After two killings, Cardoso soon caved.

Cocaine has become the drug of choice, and the most popular product on the market due to its plentifulness. About seventy percent of all coca plants are grown in Colombia, due to its high altitude and heat index.

As drug traffickers seize Mexico's borders in order to make their trafficking into the U.S. easier, they have begun a mission to take over. Innocent people have been killed in the midst, ransoms, kidnappings and shootouts have plagued the news. A recent warning went out to all Americans saying: "Do not travel to Mexico, it is not safe." The U.S. still remains the highest drug consumer market in the world. There are two main problems that the Obama Administration will face when trying to stop the drug war: 1) Government officials have become involved in the trade due to the high tax dollars in makes, and 2) Farmers refuse to grow any other crop because coca plants are the highest on the market. Latin America's ex-president thinks possible decriminalization of marijuana might help the problem. Whether the problem can be resolved in a timely manner or not remains the question. Possible U.S. proposals call for military forces to step in, but opposing forces as well as citizens think it's not our responsibility; let Mexico's law enforcement handle it. Whether or not this is true something needs to happen fast, because the ringing of bullets is getting closer and closer to the U.S. border in San Diego, Calif.

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Letter to the Editor Support Native American rights

Dear Editor,

I would like to write about two Bills before our state legislature. They are Senate Bill 575 and its companion bill, House Bill 691. These two bills would enact an amendment to the current state recognition bill for Maryland's indigenous Native American communities. Some of you reading this letter might be shocked to learn that there are still indigenous Native American communities in Maryland. There are at least eight communities I know of. The amendment to the existing bill would make it easier for them to get state recognition and make it more in line with federal recognition laws.

State recognition for the indigenous native people of our state isn't about casinos or gambling issues. It is about finally recognizing the first people of our state and their contributions to the cultural fabric of this great state. In over 200 years and more, they have endured being put on reservations, whole tribes sold into slavery, whole villages wiped out by disease, ridiculous laws that only applied to them, racial injustice, prejudice and a state totally unaware of their existence. In many schools in Maryland, their history is not taught at all or taught from books with wrong information. The first reservations were not in

the west but in Maryland, on both sides of the bay. It is time for the ignorance to stop. Every state around Maryland acknowledges its indigenous people. What is Maryland's problem?

State recognition would help these communities in so many ways. One important issue is repatriation of the remains of indigenous native people. These remains are held by the state and can only be released to state-recognized groups. This bill was made by the state legislature and passed with the full knowledge that at the time there was and are no state recognized groups in Maryland. It would also shock most of the readers to know that the majority of these native remains are those of native children whose parents have long since gone to their final rest, while their remains lay in boxes on some shelf.

State recognition has many aspects. The most important one is that it is long overdue for the indigenous Native American population of this state. Please support Senate Bill 575 and its companion bill, House Bill 691. It is time the state of Maryland finally recognized its first citizens for their rich culture, unique heritage and endurance in the face of extreme adversity. Sincerely,

Debra Henry, SU senior



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Friends and acquaintances: What would you do?

By Chad Grills
Staff Writer

Sometimes studying an analogy when considering a dilemma offers introspective understanding. With a whirlwind of concerns at the global level, oftentimes asking yourself, "What would I do?" is an intuitive glance to see the reality of issues.

Recently Iran's nuclear program has made some surprising progress. It has been determined that Iran has enough fissile material, which if enriched again, could arm a nuclear weapon. I'd like to offer up a little analogy for those unsure of the consequences for our friend, Israel. Consider the United States as yourself in the example, Israel as your friend, and Iran as the acquaintance.

Attending college allows students to meet others of diverse backgrounds, and forge mutually beneficial friendships. On campus, the

opportunities for friendship abound, but oftentimes the area surrounding a college town is not as friendly. The 'friend' in this example represents an individual you are close with. The 'acquaintance' is a person who you and your friend know. The following is just a hypothetical example, and represents no individuals at Salisbury University.

Since you've started college you've been fortunate to make several great friends, along with plenty of acquaintances. This friend you've known for quite some time. You helped him get established at school when he started. Your friend and you both have similar values and interests. You are looking to better yourselves while at school, and give everyone a fair chance. You both believe in equal rights, and have the same moral footing. You live on campus in a relatively safe area, while your friend lives off campus, and has to

be vigilant.

The acquaintance in particular is someone you and your friend know well. You have reached out to this acquaintance in the past, even stood up for him, this has not worked. Your new strategy is to be friendly when you see him, but leave him alone. However, when you think back about the actions of this acquaintance and his views, you start to get worried. He has been quite vocal about what he believes: he thinks that women are inferior, he condones violence against them, he feels homosexuality is a disorder, and he feels those who go against his ideology should be executed.

The other thing that troubles you is this acquaintance's growing hatred of your friend. You know he despises you both, and has dubbed you the "big Satan" and your friend the "little Satan." This acquaintance has been part of several rallies, some advocating your death

and some praying for your friend's. This acquaintance says that your friend must be eliminated, and erased from history. You haven't taken this seriously as you don't think he has the ability to do so.

Recently you've found out that this acquaintance has more resources than you thought, and has filled out the paperwork to buy a gun. Now he is waiting the necessary seven days to acquire his weapon of choice. What worries you most is that he lives very close to your friend.

It is unclear about the time and date of Iran's nuclear acquisition, but one thing is certain: their ambitions. We know their motives, we know their values and we know that they mean to destroy our friend (Israel). We can dismiss their goals as self servant and peaceful, but what of their outspokenness? Do we accept public statements of peaceful desires from those who stone women, hang homosexuals,

deny the Holocaust and call for the destruction of Israel?

Iran holds public rallies advocating Israel's destruction and for our own. Iran being able to attack us or cause serious harm isn't currently a threat when we consider conventional weapons. It only becomes a real threat when we consider nuclear weapons. When those who hold them have utterly deranged psyches, danger is impending. America will not fully stir when an Israeli city is left in smoldering rubble, but we will be forced wide awake when one of our cities lies in radioactive destruction.

Iran has no intentions to coexist. Has America's friendship with Israel been a facade, and now in trying times will we turn our back? Do we consider Israel a true friend?

Iran is on the waiting list for their weapon of choice, and time is dwindling.

Hunters use earth-friendly bullets

By Tara Underwood
Staff Writer

Going green is an issue extremely important to thousands of people across the United States. Preserving the environment and trying to find alternative ways to conserve energy could lead to a safer lifestyle in the future. Various hunting scientists are switching from iron bullets to green for health-related issues.

Bullets contain lead, which is toxic, and health officials are concerned with the threat to the environment and public health. Traces of lead have been found in animals. Research has proven once a bullet explodes inside an animal, pieces of metal can infect up to a foot away from the wound. Lead bullets have also contaminated ecosystems in various locations. Large birds feed off of the scraps left by hunters from the animals

they shot. These scraps, containing lead from bullets, cause lead poisoning.

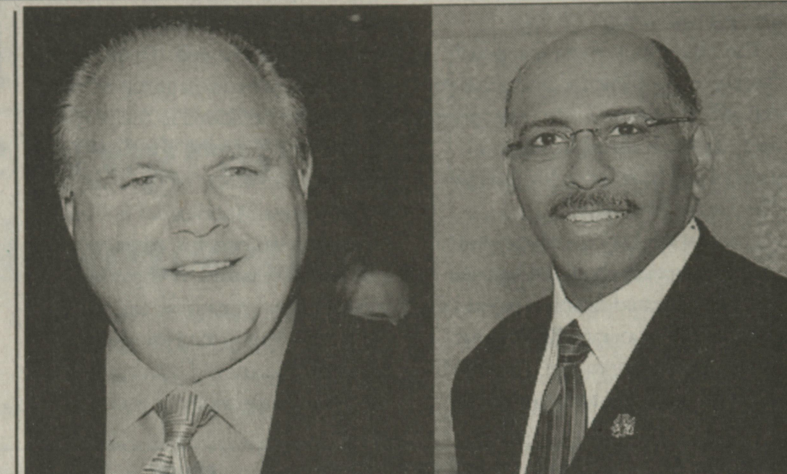
In 2008, America spent 1.08 billion dollars on ammunition. Many companies have started to adopt other types of bullets. Barnes Bullets manufactures copper bullets because they not only perform better but there is an increase in demand from customers. Other companies, including Winchester and Remington, are also working on green ammunition.

However, some companies complain that going from lead to green is too expensive and many will not want to change. Others protest that spending more money on bullets will drive many hunters away from the American sport. Lead is considered the best metal for bullets because of its affordability and availability.

Tests performed by the Center for Disease Control and Preven-

tion have found that blood-lead levels of people who eat meat shot with lead are slightly higher than those who did not eat meat. This obviously raises the important point that using lead bullets to shoot animals could cause deaths in the U.S. Children and pregnant women should not be eating meat shot with lead bullets. Using green bullets could solve this simple problem and reduce contamination greatly.

Using green bullets could eventually lead to living healthier lives. Lead does not necessarily have to be banned but should rather be substituted on the individual hunter's decision. The public needs to be aware of how dangerous lead can be—how it enters the meat we eat. Switching over is not only a good proposal but adds to the idea that our society is changing, for the better.



Internet photo

Limbaugh vs. Steele: Steele is the declared leader of the Republican Party, but some question whether Limbaugh is the higher authority.

Will the real leader of the GOP please stand up?

By Jeremy Riffle
Editorial Editor

Michael Steele is not the leader of the Republican Party. Though he was elected to be chairman of the Republican National Committee, he apparently answers to a higher authority: Rush Limbaugh.

Recently, the Obama administration has utilized what has been called "the Limbaugh strategy," tying the GOP to the commentator, even going so far as implying that Limbaugh is now the virtual leader of the Republican Party. As White House Chief of Staff Rahm Emanuel said on *Face the Nation*, "[Limbaugh] is the voice and the intellectual force and energy behind the Republican Party."

In response to these claims, Steele pointed out on CNN that, as chairman of the RNC, he is the leader of the GOP, not Limbaugh, who is just an entertainer who has said "incendiary" and "ugly" things. Limbaugh retorted on his radio show that Steele doesn't appear to lead the Republicans because he seems "obsessed to see President Obama succeed." Steele responded to this criticism by apologizing to Limbaugh, saying that he did not mean to belittle Limbaugh's importance with conservatives.

This episode illustrates something that is fundamentally wrong with the GOP today. There is no real leadership in the party. While one could argue that this is the result of the electoral knockout party received in November, it is actually part of a trend that has been growing over the years: the increasing monolithism of the Republican Party.

The emphasis placed on ideology by conservative activists is crippling the party. Achieving party unity is one thing, stifling different

opinions is another. The virtual expulsion of moderates (labeling them RINOs—Republicans In Name Only—and attempting to defeat them in primaries) hinders the overall electoral viability of the GOP. While the conservative activists may decide who wins the Republican primaries, it is typically the moderates, centrists, and independents who decide the general elections, the elections that actually count.

Despite the outcomes of the last two elections, conservatives do not seem to understand this. Moderate Republicans are blamed for the most recent losses because they nominated the non-conservative John McCain. Limbaugh says moderates should leave the party and Republicans should return to core conservative principles to restore the GOP. The problem with his reasoning is that McCain, while less dogmatic on some issues than many conservatives, is not really a moderate and if the GOP had nominated a "true" conservative, the election would almost certainly have been more lopsided than it was. Yet no important Republican seems willing to challenge Limbaugh on this or any other statements he makes. No Republican leader has emerged to stand against the GOP's desperate rush to the right.

That Limbaugh carries a great deal of weight with the conservative wing of the party is undeniable and Republicans are understandably loath to go against such a vocal and large faction. However, the tail cannot wag the dog. What's best for conservatives is not necessarily what's best for the party. Right now, the Republicans are in the wilderness. They need a true leader to show them the way to the Promised Land.

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Vagina Monologues continues to fight for women

By Lauren Sadler
Staff Writer

SU kicked off the celebration of Women's History Month with the seventh annual performance of *The Vagina Monologues* by Eve Ensler. Student Sarah Wells made her directorial debut during the production, which ran March 5 to 7.

The cost of tickets and donations from the performances were contributed to the Life Crisis Center in Salisbury. SU has raised nearly \$20,000 for the Center over the past six years, Wells said.

"We've been given this amazing opportunity to deliver this performance in a public forum to not only raise awareness but to raise money for the global V-day cause," Wells said. Wells has been involved in the campaign for the past four years.

The V-Day movement is a global cause to end violence against women and girls. Its purpose is to raise awareness and funds through artistic endeavors and benefit productions like *The Vagina Monologues*.

This year's V-Day was focused on raising awareness about the barbaric crimes committed against women and girls in the Democratic Republic of Congo. According to the V-Day Web site, rape and other forms of sexual

violence are used as forms of torture for females. Femicide survivors suffer physical and psychological wounds, both of which often go untreated. In 2009, UNICEF, the UN and NGO partners are working with V-Day organizers to help women and girls "reclaim a life of safety and dignity" in the DRC.

Wells is very familiar with the V-Day movement, she said, and has adopted aspects from previous showings of the Monologues and incorporated them into this year's performance. Wells wanted to keep the show as it was meant to be: "a storytelling experience."

"To me, I'm not so much directing in a theatrical sense," Wells said. "I feel that the power behind the message is delivered more effectively if a cast of women who truly believe in the cause are presenting the pieces. And I lucked out, I found those girls. To me, directing means gathering a group of people who are dedicated to the purpose in its purest form and hoping to open the mind and hearts of the audience."

The *Vagina Monologues* not only empowers women, but educates everyone, Wells said. "People laugh, they cry, they empathize, and there's no greater feeling than knowing someone was moved enough to join the fight to stop violence against



Adrienne Price photo

Crissy Davis reads a monologue titled "My Angry Vagina" at this year's annual *Vagina Monologues*. The SU production has raised almost \$20,000 for the Life Crisis Center over the past six years.

women," Wells said. "I think it's impossible not to be moved."

Wells also encouraged men to come out, support women, see the play and educate themselves. The "radical man-hater" stigma surrounding the Monologues is untrue. "Many [men] shock

themselves in how much they enjoy it," Wells said.

More importantly, violence is an issue blind to gender. "I think *The Vagina Monologues* is a wonderful representation of Women's History Month. It's women talking about

women to women and men," Wells said. "It covers such a wide array of subjects in such a short amount of time, and if the audience leaves feeling something, we've done our job."

For more information about V-Day, visit <http://www.vday.org>.

Exhibit promotes global warming awareness

By Robert Cogdell III
Staff Writer

The latest exhibit in the Fulton Hall Gallery encourages positive action against Earth's destruction. With green and Earth-friendly themes, the exhibit to be on display, creatively named, "Global Warming Portfolio," features the artwork of 25 nationwide artists from 10 states. The exhibit opens Wednesday, March 11.

Organized by Clay McGlamory, adjunct assistant professor at Old Dominion University, the "Global Warming Portfolio" exhibit features art composed from a vast spectrum of media, including lithography, graphic design and screen printing. "The prints highlight concern about environmental issues such as pollution, global warming and species depletion," said Linda Shipp, curator for museum programs.

Other sets of artwork included in the exhibit have also been displayed in unusual locations such as telephone poles, sides of newspaper dispensers and bulletin boards, which is

said to "coax people into action to help with the problem," according to organizers.

Local high school students in the Wicomico County Visual and Performing Arts (VPA) Program also submitted global warming-inspired poster designs. The winning posters, by Sarah Ray from Mardela High School, Melissa Slocum from Wicomico High School and Andy Flexner from Parkside High School, will be included in the display as well. In addition to score, the contestants won based on "feeling, atmosphere and technique," Shipp said.

"Solar and Earthly Orientation" curated by Dr. James Hadley, an SU philosophy professor, will accompany the exhibit and be on display on the Fulton Hall Green.

Hours of operation for the Fulton Hall Gallery are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, as well as noon to 2 p.m. on the weekends. The "Global Warming Portfolio" exhibit will be on display until April 17 and admission is free.

Unordinarily S(h)ane

The monster in the mirror

By Shane Hill
Staff Writer

When our parents told us monsters didn't exist, we were probably five and still terrified of killer dolls, masked murderers and cannibalistic clowns. What they didn't tell us is that in truth, monsters exist — not in our closets or under our beds, as we may have thought, but they live in us all. In rank with hate and greed, insecurity is the most common, if not worst monster of the pack and is often a door-opener for other monster to terrorize the mind, especially its green-eyed cousin, envy.

Recently and quite often, I found myself sitting in *The Commons* with a friend playing our favorite pastime game — people watching, which in our language translated to pick everyone apart: that guy wearing socks with sandals, that girl with the faux hair and even that person whose jeans were too tight to

behave.

We found nothing too big and no one too small to pick on. All the while we laughed as we consumed ignorance and mentally told ourselves we were better. It wasn't until we began laughing about permanent things, things people couldn't change like [insert cruel joke here], that I realized we were laughing out loud but crying inside, desperate for attention and another person to divert our minds from our recently failed diets and lack of companionship.

Only we had found companionship and shared a bond of insecurity. If misery always loved company, then we were Romeo and Juliet. So as I sat thinking about all the times I wore mis-matching socks and all my self-diagnosed physical imperfections, I was left to wonder, *what makes me immune?* And the horror of horrors, *why was I so intent on pointing out the splinter in others' eyes when I hadn't realized a plank in my own?*

We are often so quick to judge but slow to turn tables.

It happens to get the best of us from time to time. We see someone or something that triggers us to want to joke, ridicule and laugh to make ourselves feel better. But what do we gain but cheap laughs and solidifying our asininity?

Early on, we're taught if we don't have anything nice to say, then don't say anything, and that silence is golden. As naive as it may seem, we can all learn from this verse.

You'd be surprised how the negative things we say about others really reflect our own BS insecurities, from body image to sexuality and everything in between.

So the next time something entices the little monsters inside, challenge yourself. Look into your subconscious mirror. What do you see?

Hopefully then we can discover its favorite hiding place before the terror's unleashed.

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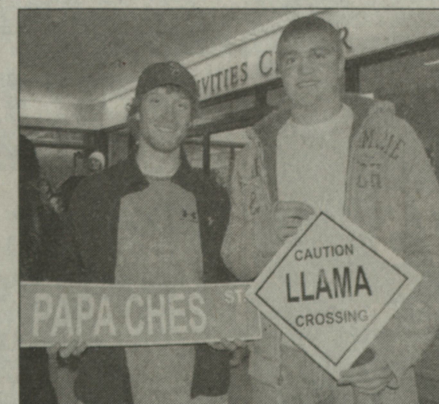


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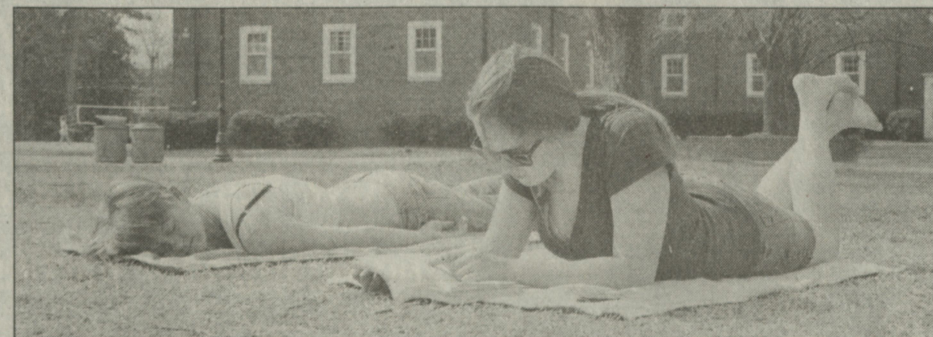
Jennifer Scholls, Dr. Sunny Becker and Jonathan Pesaniello lead Thursday's Psychology Forum held in the Pocumoke Room of the GUC.



The men's ultimate frisbee team practice Sunday afternoon in front of Holloway.



Students flaunt their signs at Wednesday's sign shop sponsored by SOAP.



Sarah Lake photo

Freshmen Haley Riff and Mary Dwyer take in the beautiful weather Sunday afternoon in the Quad. Temperatures reached 77 degrees on Sunday.



Sarah Lake photo

Sarah Flynn and Allison Sheridan chat with University President Dr. Janet Dudley-Eshbach at last Monday's Women's History Month Expo in the Wicomico Room.

GUC hosts sleep awareness event

By Casey Wachter
Staff Writer

Sleep deprivation affects millions of college students every day.

On March 4, the Guerrieri University Center held a sleep awareness event. The event provided education and information about stress, sleep and its effects on students.

Caitlyn Tyler, coordinator of GUC events, put together the sleep awareness event. According to Tyler, GUC puts on events in three different categories, educational, social and recreational.

This event was all about awareness. Students become stressed, sleep deprived and exhausted and have no way of dealing with such situations.

"When students are most stressed, they do not treat their bodies well. It should be the other way around. When your body is stressed, you should take the time and take care of it," said Jennifer Berkman, director of Student Health Services.

"I stayed up all night studying. The next morning when I went to take the test, I couldn't remember

anything. Sleeping really helps a student work well," said C.J. Foreman, a marketing major.

This event fell in to the educational section of GUC events because students should learn how to deal with stress and health.

"Students get stressed out and exhausted; then illness comes out more frequently. Students eventually lose it," Berkman said.

The brochures at the event included lists of helpful hints such as "understand the connection between stress and not being able to sleep, keep your days and nights straight and sleeping during the day can cause restless sleeping patterns."

Most students just live with the four or five hours of sleep which causes many health concerns.

"Sleeping at college has a lot to do with interruptions. If you can get a good night's sleep, it is a great feeling, but it is hard with the number of interruptions we all face," Tyler said.

GUC put together this event to help educate students and provide awareness about an issue that affects so many people.



Caitlyn Tyler photo

CJ Foreman, Sherita Jones and SU Health Services Director Jennifer Berkman give out information on sleep deprivation Wednesday.

Fun Things to do

on St. Patty's Day!!

Make green Jell-O Jigglers cut into shamrocks.

Decorate cupcakes with foil-wrapped coins and rainbow sprinkles.

Put white carnations with freshly-cut stems in a vase with water mixed with green food coloring. Pretty soon, you'll have green flowers!

Paint a small shamrock on your cheek with face paint or a green eye pencil.

Add some green food coloring to pancake batter, milk, mashed potatoes, or whatever else you think you can stomach green!

Wear green and be sure to pinch (gently) people who don't!

Child care program to gain mobile museum

By Amanda Durski
Staff Writer

When it comes to preschoolers, science is an overlooked subject. In Wicomico County, only 34 percent of children enter kindergarten with a proficient science score. However, programs are currently being established to encourage a sense of investigation in younger children and teach educators how to do so through effective techniques.

The Lower Shore Child Resource Center (LSCRC) is instituting one such program with the help of the community. After going through an application process, the center recently received a contribution from the Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore.

The contribution will help fund a new mobile science museum. Once established, the museum will provide science discovery activities that will be able to travel to children's programs throughout the county. Children will

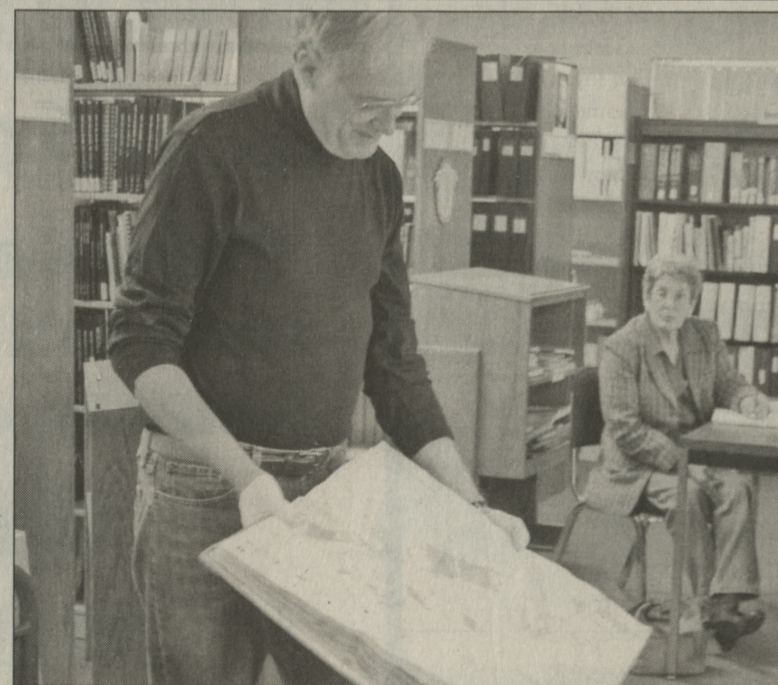
explore subjects such as wind, animals and the everyday world. SU students will be the ones to come up with the studies and build the project.

One of the main goals of the museum is to increase the science and problem-solving skills of preschoolers. The mobile science museum will also increase the knowledge of teachers in child care so that they can instill a love of science in the children.

"Child care providers will become more comfortable in science and will be able to give children an experience they otherwise would not get," Goldman said.

The mobile science museum, through its funding from the Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore, is a great opportunity for Salisbury students to advance the science skills of the next generation.

For volunteer opportunities or questions, e-mail Karen Goldman at kjgoldman@salisbury.edu or visit the Web site at lowershoreccrc.org.



Kelly Robinson photo

Dr. Ray Thompson, director of the Nabb Research Center, shows attendees one of the many types of records from which they can derive information.

death certificates, obituaries, deeds, wills, estates, mortgages, baptisms, burials, church records and more are also helpful for the process.

Tracing backwards as far as your immigrant ancestors helps to establish a family tree. "It's important to get an idea, a framework, of the environment where your person or

persons originated from to get a good clue of what the area was like," Thompson said.

A continuation of Thompson's workshop will be held 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Saturday, April 4 and will teach researchers how to read difficult records encountered in family record research.

What's Cooking?

Recipes for a tight budget

By Michael Piorunski
Staff Writer

St. Patrick's Day is fast approaching and this week's recipe celebrates Irish-Celtic tradition and heritage. Soda Bread is traditionally made with soft wheat, as it is cheaper and more abundant in Ireland. The combination of the sour milk and bicarbonate of soda (baking soda) provides the leavening power.



Irish Soda Bread

Soda Bread is a daily bread served with meals and does not keep more than a few days after baking. More contemporary recipes can include raisins, whiskey and some amount of added sugar but a traditional recipe does not include these ingredients.

Bake up a batch of this bread as part of your St. Patty's day celebration or celebration recovery and enjoy!

Irish Soda Bread

4 cups flour (1 use ½ whole wheat, ½ all-purpose)
2 cups milk or soy milk (unsweetened)
2 teaspoons white vinegar or cider vinegar
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon baking soda
2 tablespoons butter or non-dairy margarine, melted

Preheat oven to 425 degrees F. Combine milk and vinegar and set aside about 5 minutes. Sift and combine flour, salt and baking soda in large mixing bowl. Make well in center of flour mixture, add milk mixture and

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"I'm going on spring break to Mexico with my friends and I've never been before. I want to have fun but my parents are worried about me and I'm a little nervous myself. Any tips?"

Your parents are probably worried because the U.S. State Department has issued a travel advisory and universities across the US are strongly urging students to avoid Mexico this year. The State Department did stop short of warning spring breakers not to go to Mexico but advised them to avoid areas of prostitution and drug-dealing and take other common sense precautions, so keep this in mind.

If you want to party, go for it, but stay in your resort, preferably in groups. Stay alert. This might defeat the purpose of spring break for many, but if you can't do it, have a designated "watchdog" if possible. Drinking is legal in Mexico; drugs are not.

Mind your manners in Mexico! American citizens traveling in Mexico are subject to Mexican law. If you find yourself in trouble, immediately contact the closest U.S. Consulate, U.S. Consular Agency or the U.S. Embassy in Mexico City.

Mexican beaches are beautiful. Mexican people are beautiful. Mexican jails are not. Guys, don't look for fights among locals; you may get more than you bargained for. Girls, remember, there is life after spring break, don't do something you wouldn't want the folks back home to know about, not everything that happens in Mexico stays in Mexico.

"My boyfriend and I are going on spring break together. I want it to still be fun since we are also going with other people. Any advice?"

Establish rules together. This is the best route to take whenever you are both going on a trip (together) and one of you is uncertain about the other's behaviors. Some may call this insecurity, but some may call it communication so there's less room for misunderstandings and fighting during a relaxing time.

Make sure that you are absolutely and completely clear about all the rules and obligations. And remember to be fair to one another. If you don't want him to do something, that also means you're prevented from doing the same thing. Basically, don't be a hypocrite.

During the trip, you don't have to constantly remind him about those rules. If he's really into you, he will remember them. Make sure you keep those rules in mind too. What is important is that you both trust one another and you can think of this time as a test of trust. Only keep those rules in the back of your mind. Don't dwell on them.

melted butter and combine. Combine ingredients and lightly knead dough with mixing spoon. If dough is sticky, add more flour a teaspoon at a time. Be careful not to overwork dough, but mix enough to bring all ingredients together. Form dough into a round loaf or ball and place on lightly greased baking pan. Use a serrated knife to cut an "X" in the top of the loaf and bake for about 40 minutes. The loaf is finished baking when it is golden brown and a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean. Let cool for about 10 minutes before serving.

Club Spotlight Women's Rugby

By Diana Dwyer
Staff Writer

Rugby is not just for England anymore. The Women's Rugby club provides a fun way to get into good physical shape and an opportunity to make new friends.

Fallon Migliorini is president of the club and a sophomore who has been playing rugby at SU since her first semester here. Migliorini first became interested when she saw the team at the Activities Fair. "I was just really excited because when I went up to them, they told me they would explain everything to me at the first meeting," Migliorini said.

Previous experience is not required to play. "There are girls who had never seen a ball before that are on the team," Migliorini said. The Division II team has been

around since 1993 and it is a part of the Potomac Rugby Union. There are 20 girls on the roster but the team is always looking for more players.

For the fall semester, the team plays six games, which count toward the playoffs. Spring semester comprises of tournaments and friendly matches, which makes now a perfect time to join because there is less pressure to learn the ways of the game.

The game necessitates teamwork, which is a foundation for a strong friendship. Members of the team can often be spotted together in groups, proudly sporting their rugby attire. "What I love most are the friends," Migliorini said. "We have so much fun on and off the field."

The physical workout is also a benefit. "I love being able to tackle people, honestly. It's a great stress reliever," Migliorini said.

"I like the camaraderie that I found in the girls on the rugby team. I have made some great friends so far and can't wait to meet more future teammates and friends next season," said freshman Meghan Prial.

"It's the best sport I've ever played in my life and the girls that play are amazing," sophomore Kara Puffenbarger said.

Although Rugby has a reputation for being a rough game, serious injuries are rare. "The referees keep us real tight and will penalize you. We try to be precise in our movements," Migliorini said. The game is competitive but the matches are friendly and all about having fun.

The team meets on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 4 to 6 p.m. at the intramural fields.



Sarah Wright photo

The women's rugby team is currently seeking new members. They meet Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Public Radio Delmarva seeks support

By Michael Piorunski
Staff Writer

With a listener audience over 40,000 strong, Public Radio Delmarva is one of the many overlooked lures and penates of Salisbury University and the Eastern Shore. Shrouded in the 1970s architectural style and seafoam walls of Caruthers Hall, Public Radio Delmarva delivers a refreshing daily dose of classical music programming on WSDL 89.5 FM, as well as informative, smart and innovative news reporting and programming from National Public Radio, Public Radio International, and American Public Media on WSDL 90.7 FM.

Public Radio Delmarva offers a little something for all types of listeners. "I want everyone to experience life and music is a part of that," explains Gerry Weston, General Manager of Public Radio Delmarva.

Weston says although listening to classical music doesn't make you smarter (unless you're in the womb), "classical music" challenges you,

helps you think more clearly [and] unlocks something in your heart and your head."

Like the challenging nature of classical music on WSDL, the news and reporting on WSDL challenges your mind, offering you fresh and diverse coverage of local, national and international news and politics.

Programs like The Diane Rehm Show, Talk of the Nation, Morning Edition and BBC World Service provide complete coverage of daily happenings. Chris Ranck, 32, producer at Public Radio Delmarva and lifelong public radio listener says, "listening to the news [on NPR] makes you look and sound smart in class."

Also, PRD enables the listener to learn and explore contemporary arts, music and pop-culture through programs like Fresh Air, This American Life and The World. "No matter who you are or your major, public radio offers you a way to learn," Ranck said.

It's the many diverse learning opportunities and experiences Public Radio Delmarva offers that Weston and the staff want to promote to all

Salisbury University students. Weston said with increased student involvement, "the station would improve," adding that, "young people can bring new energy."

Public Radio Delmarva is not only a media outlet, it's also a business. This dynamic makes for opportunities for students across the board from public relations, advertising and finance to communications, music, English and political science. "It would be great if some students wanted to produce a business program," said Weston, challenging his new neighbors from the Purdue School of Business.

Public Radio Delmarva, like all NPR member stations, is a non-profit organization, and is supported entirely through public funds, grants and listener membership. Wednesday, March 25th marks the beginning of the bi-annual on-air membership drive to raise funds to ensure the sustainability of the station. The drive ends April 4th.

On Tuesday, March 24 Public Radio Delmarva is hosting an open-house and encourages all students, faculty and staff to attend.



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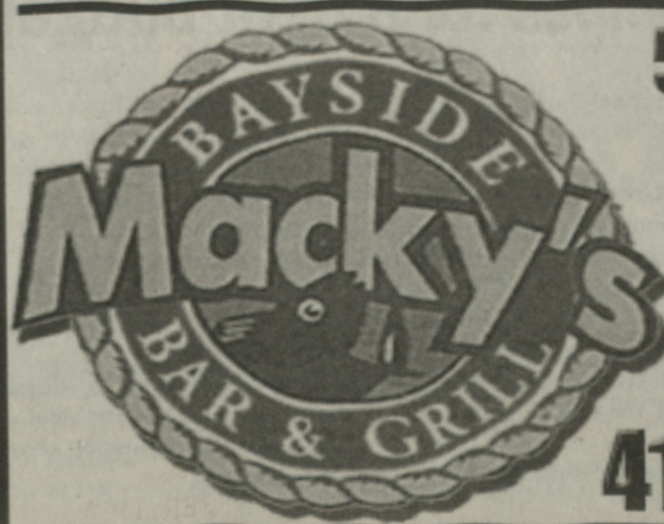
Public Radio Delmarva producer Chris Ranck challenges students to produce their own radio shows. PRD will begin their membership drive on March 25.

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Weekly Greek News

SAE takes on fundraising efforts for Brooke Mulford



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Jessica Hedburg of ZTA, Eric School of SAE, Samantha Hedburg of ZTA, and Brad Rathel of SAE pause for a photo op during Saturday's "Team Brooke" fundraiser at Seacrets.

By Cara Barrett
Staff Writer

Fundraising for Brooke Mulford, daughter of Market Street Inn owner Rob Mulford, is not only a Salisbury community concern but also one for the Sigma Alpha Epsilon (SAE) fraternity as well.

Rob Mulford is an alumnus of the SAE chapter at SU and his daughter Brooke has been diagnosed with stage four neuroblastoma, a rare form of cancer. Neuroblastoma is a cancer of the sympathetic nervous system, a nerve network throughout the body that carries messages from the brain.

This past week SAE held a 50/50 raffle outside of The Commons. Tickets were a dollar and half of the proceeds will go to the Brooke Mulford Foundation.

On March 7, the brothers of SAE celebrated their Founder's Day at Seacrets in Ocean City and used the opportunity as another fundraising effort for Brooke Mulford. Seacrets owner Leighton Moore is also an SAE alumni.

Duke Marshall, chapter advisor and alum, was pleased with the turnout of and participation in the event. "We had 150 active and alumni of the 800 people at Seacrets on Saturday and our contributions alone topped \$10,000. That in itself speaks volumes about the strength of our Brotherhood and the lengths we will go to support one another," Marshall said.

The chapter plans on continuing the sale of raffle tickets and "Team Brooke" wristbands, similar to Live-Strong bracelets, throughout the rest of the semester. The brothers took in \$1,000 alone at the event in the sale of wristbands. All funds being raised will go towards Brooke's medical bills.

The fundraising that SAE has done has been very well received by the Salisbury community and the SU campus. SAE's efforts will be recognized on the national level through an article to be published in the SAE National magazine, *The Record*.

SAE has taken a stand to remain committed and active to this worth-

while and community-based cause. SAE will continue to support Brooke and the Mulford family, by helping as much as they can and remind themselves that every little bit helps.

The SU chapter of SAE has been involved in other fundraising and philanthropic events similar to this cause. SAE's National philanthropy is Children's Miracle Network. Fundraising for the Brooke Mulford Foundation has given the brothers insight into how much impact they can have on someone in the local community.

SAE president Ray Nicholas is proud of his chapter's dedication and commitment to helping one of their own. "Market Street has always been a big supporter of not only SAE but all Greek Life at SU," Nicholas said. "When Greeks and the local community unite for a cause, it can be a good thing."

Nicholas said "SAE plans on supporting the Mulford's throughout the semester by all means necessary."

To support Brooke, visit brookemulfordfoundation.org

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ENCORE! Cheer and Dance Championships, LLC. (ECDC) has staff openings for various positions for their competition event Saturday, March 28, 2009. The event will be held at the Hytche Center at UMES. Accepted staff workers must have reliable transportation to and from the event and must attend a pre-event meeting on Friday, March 27, 2009 for complete instructions regarding the days event. Some positions will require workers on the afternoon/evening of before event. Interested persons must have a valid SSN and must be above the age of 18. Candidates must possess qualities of professionalism and event attire will be provided. Interested persons should send a letter of interest to info@encore-championships.com (mailto:info@encore-championships.com) with a valid contact telephone number. Positions include production set up, greeters, timers, team escorts, concessions and more. For additional information contact ECDC at 443-359-5183.

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Athlete Spotlight

Robyn Bishop

By Assef Assefi
Staff Writer

Like a great maestro, Robyn Bishop conducts the midfield like an orchestra. Spraying the lacrosse ball across the field as well as playing give-and-go through the tightest of spots asserted Bishop as one of Salisbury's premier athletes. The former All-Howard County first teamer stands at 5'6" and hails from Columbia's River Hill High. Bishop has started all five games this year and is tied for the team lead in goals with 14. Bishop has also dished out five assists this season.

Who is your favorite athlete?
I enjoy the NBA so I'd say Chris Paul.

Who's your least favorite athlete?
T.O.

Why lacrosse and not another sport growing up?
Growing up, all my friends played, so it made sense to play.

If you could have played another sport, which would you play?
I love soccer, so definitely soccer.



Robyn Bishop

Who is your favorite soccer player?
Cristiano Ronaldo.

What was your greatest sports moment?
Beating our rivals Franklin & Marshall by one goal in our grudge match.

What was your lowest sports moment?
When we lost last year to Hamilton in the final four.

What are your career goals?
I major in finance; I'd like to work in Baltimore when I'm done school.

What are your athletic goals for this season?
To make first team All-American and midfielder of the year.

Any team goals you have for this season?
Yeah, I really want to win the national title so we could be the first senior group to do it here at Salisbury. No one has done it yet and it would be great if we could.

Women's tennis dominate NYU



Telecia Taylor photo

Salisbury women's tennis avenge last year's loss against New York University on Saturday. The Gulls won 6-3.

By Kaitlyn Sullivan
Staff Writer

The Salisbury women's tennis team dominated New York University 6-3 in a non-conference game last Saturday. The Gulls swept the Violets 3-0 in the doubles competition and went 3-3 in the singles matches.

"The intensity was impeccable, everyone was trying and everyone was fighting in every match. I think our hard work definitely showed in the final score," said senior Anna Marie Kable.

After last season's loss against NYU, Salisbury was ready for revenge. "It's really exciting because going into the game, we knew we lost to them 9-0 last year and we made sure we proved that we were ready for them this time around," said junior Rachel Iosue.

No. 1 doubles junior Jackie

Burr and Kable defeated their opponents 8-3. No. 2 doubles Iosue and Kelly Fahrner took down the Violets 8-4. Third doubles sophomore Angela Tenaglia and senior Robyn Wendell completed the sweep with a score of 8-1.

After a successful run in the doubles competition, the Gulls were ready to secure their win during their singles matches.

"We were really excited after doubles. We came out and did exactly what we wanted to do: play well and win. We all contributed in our own way," Kable said.

The No. 1 seed Burr led the Gulls in the singles competition defeating NYU's Liz Stachtaris 6-4, 6-1. "We really had the confidence and a great energy that carried us through each match. For me it's about being patient and doing whatever it takes to stay out there even if it means

playing for three hours," Burr said.

Iosue took the No. 2 singles match 6-3, 7-5 and No. 6 seed junior Kristen King dominated 6-2, 6-3. The No. 3 and No. 4 singles matches were both lost after three sets. Fahrner lost 1-6, 6-3, 6-1, while Kable was defeated 1-6, 6-2, 6-4. No. 5 singles Wendell fell to her opponent 6-4, 6-4.

Throughout the matches, the Gulls maintained their momentum through teamwork. "I think our biggest strength is that everyone is always rooting for each other. No matter what, we are always cheering our teammates on, it's all about support," Iosue said.

The Gulls make their way further into their season with a record of 2-0. Their next home match will be against Penn State-Abington on Tuesday, March 10 at 3 p.m.

Krebs earns NCAA award

By Jeffrey Southworth
Sports Editor

Over the past two years, Stacey Krebs has done something that no other SU volleyball player has ever done: she's been a part of the best season in volleyball history and is the second straight Sea Gull to be awarded a postgraduate scholarship by the NCAA.

Each year the NCAA awards up to 174 postgraduate scholarships — 87 to men and 87 to women. The scholarship looks to reward student-athletes that show excellence both academically and athletically.

Krebs was one of 29 women to receive a \$7500 one-time grant. She was selected after being up for nomination with candidates from Division I, II and III.

"I asked to be nominated," Krebs said. "I saw what Sue Ackermann had done and I went for it."

Krebs is the fifth Sea Gull to receive the NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship since 2001. She received the grant one year after Sue Ackermann was awarded the scholarship for her accomplishments in women's lacrosse.

In 2007, Krebs became the first All-American in SU volleyball history.

Krebs followed up her historic individual season by leading the Gulls to their best season in school history in 2008. The Gulls finished the '08 season with a 36-2 record and with their fifth CAC championship. Krebs ended her career as the all-time leader in SU history for kills (1,734) and attempts (4,717).

The all-time leader in kills also kills it in the classroom. Krebs is a physical education major and maintains a 3.82 GPA.

Krebs will enter Salisbury's graduate program next year in hopes of getting her master's in physical education. Along with furthering her academic career, Krebs will return to SU's volleyball team as a graduate assistant. The soon-to-be team assistant has already begun her coaching career. She is currently the assistant coach for Bennett High School's women's lacrosse team.

"I want to stick with coaching volleyball, but as a physical education major I want to experience and coach other things," Krebs said.

As a graduate assistant for the volleyball team, Krebs will get to coach along side Margie Knight. "I think coaching with Coach Knight is going to be great. She is the best coach I have ever had," Krebs said.



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Krebs' days have gone from being filled with volleyball practice and tough conference games to two days filled with student teaching. The former All-American is spending the semester student teaching at Stephen Decatur.

"I am much busier with student teaching and lacrosse practice than I ever was during volleyball season," Krebs said.

The four-year letter winner has left her mark on the volleyball program and is now making her mark as an adult. Her attitude towards coaching and teaching reflects her past two years: "It's been awesome," she said.

scored two goals.

Wednesday's rout of Hood College also saw six different Sea Gulls record their first goal of the season including Connor Burgasser, Kyle Piper, Kevin Finn, Logan Keyser, Ryan Clarke and Tim Lum.

The Sea Gulls scored 23 unanswered goals before Hood got on the board with just under 12 minutes left in the game. The Gulls dominated every aspect of the game. They out shot Hood 68-13, picked up 74 ground balls and won 26 of 33 face-offs.

Salisbury University next plays conference foe Marymount on Wednesday, March 11 at 4 p.m. at Sea Gull Stadium. Salisbury defeated Marymount 24-8 on the road last year. Berkman scored two goals and had four assists in last year's victory.

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Men's lax take the 'battle' out of the Bishops



Dan Anderson photo

Senior attackman Stephen Krasco makes a play against the visiting Bishops. SU won 15-8.

By Tom Watson
Staff Writer

It was a beautiful, sunny Sunday afternoon in Salisbury. Students tailgating in the parking lots, children running around on the practice fields and 760 parents, fans and students packed into Sea Gull Stadium to watch the Salisbury men's lacrosse team beat the Ohio Wesleyan Battling Bishops 15-8.

Salisbury (6-0, 20) started the game in their usual fashion, scoring three goals in the first two minutes of play to jump out to an early lead. Yet, just when it looked to be another blowout for the Gulls, the game took an unusual turn.

OWU (2-2) answered with three goals to make it 4-3 as the game turned very physical. Both teams kept the referees busy compiling 10 penalties in the first quarter and the whistles did not cease until the final call of the game.

Despite this, the SU defense was strong, allowing just 2 extra-man goals, while sophomore goalie Johnny Rodriguez tallied 17 saves between the pipes. The Gulls extra-man offense was able to capitalize with six extra-man goals.

Salisbury looked to jump ahead again as junior

defenseman Connor Burgasser scored on a fast break, but OWU was there to answer again keeping them within three as the half ended 8-5 SU.

Things calmed down in the locker room and the game settled in the third quarter, as Salisbury tried to inch away scoring three goals to OWU's 1. It was not until freshman midfielder Sam Bradman (2 goals, 2 assists) found junior attackman Mike Winter (2 goals, 2 assists) for a goal at the end of the third quarter before scoring to start the fourth quarter, that the game finally opened up for Salisbury.

Senior standout midfielder Kaylor Berkman (1 goal, 2 assists), who already has 40 points on the season, could not find his rhythm Sunday, but freshman Matt Cannone (5 goals, 1 assist) and the rest of the team were able to pick up the slack and spread the scoring with eight different Sea Gulls registering a goal.

Salisbury continued to control the game for the remainder of the fourth quarter holding the ball for minutes at a time. SU owned the face-offs winning 17 of 25 and out-hustled the OWU Battling Bishops scooping up nearly twice as many ground balls.

Baseball wins 12th of season

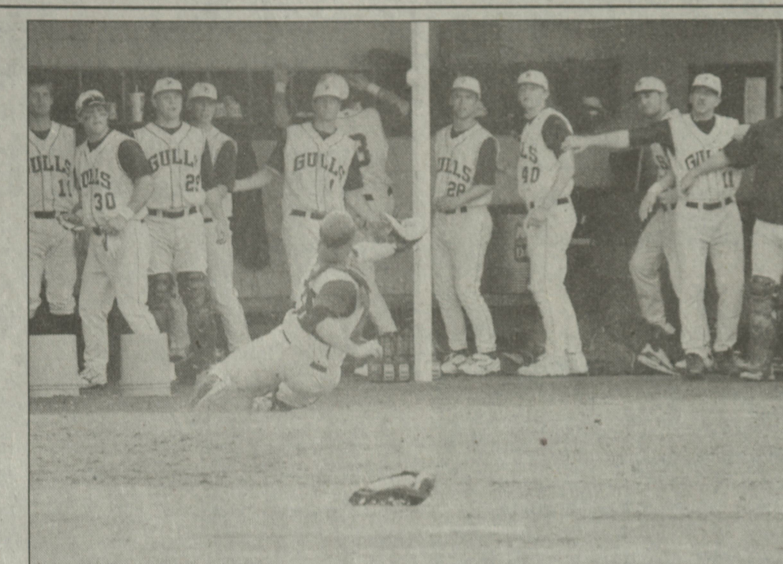
By Ben Muell
Staff Writer

Last Saturday, the SU baseball team (12-1, 3-1) secured their twelfth win of the season by defeating conference rival University of Mary Washington. The two teams faced off at home in the first of three games. Saturday's game was pushed back from Friday because of the blanket of snow Salisbury received earlier in the week.

The Gulls' bats were able to warm up with the weather as they shut the door on their CAC rival in the eighth inning when they scored eight runs in one inning, which was more or less painful to watch.

Every batter for the maroon and gold got at least one hit. The Gulls scored in all but two innings and hammered out 19 hits off of the Eagles.

Senior catcher Ryan Smith had a big day as he blasted his third home run of the year. He went 3-for-4 while driving in three. Smith



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Senior catcher Ryan Smith makes a sliding catch behind the plate. The Sea Gulls defeated UMW 15-1.

also scored three runs. Junior first baseman Mike Celenza and sophomore short stop Will Evens both contributed with 3-for-5 days. They both also drove in three runs and scored twice each.

Center fielder Jordan Crystal knocked in two runs going 3-for-4. The table setters at the top of the orders, left fielder Andrew Miller, 2-for-6, and second baseman Randy Boyle, 3-for-5, each scored twice.

A warm and breezy day provided a perfect atmosphere for yet another leisurely outing for staff ace Eric Willey who earned his fourth

win this season. The senior right hander went eight strong innings holding the visiting Eagles to one run on eight hits, striking out five and walking four. Freshman Bill Morton worked the ninth, retiring the side to end the game.

This week the maroon and gold start a three-game series against York College. The first game will be played up north in York, Pa. and will be followed by a home double header on Saturday. The following week, the Gulls flock south to the warm and sunny Cocoa, Fla. to take on Hilbert, Medaille, Nichols and Richard Stockton.

Men's tennis split weekend matches

By Edward Baidoo
Staff Writer

Last weekend, the No. 22 ranked Sea Gulls split their two home tennis matches. On Saturday, they defeated New York University 9-0, but then lost a tough match on Sunday to North Carolina Wesleyan 5-4.

This brings the team's winning percentage to .500 with a record of 2-2.

On Saturday, the team swept NYU in all nine matches which consisted of three doubles matches and six singles matches. The Sea Gulls did a great job of setting the tone for the match as they came out of the gate with wins in all three of their doubles including a win by the team of Scott Burtzlaiff and Evan Thomas. In their doubles match, they did not allow their NYU opponents, Craig Berger and Calvin Chou, to win a single game as they won 8-0. The men then followed their success in the doubles by winning all six of their singles matches to get the 9-0 victory. Head Coach Randy Halfpap was pleased with the effort of the team.

"I am very pleased with the team's performance. It was good because we also got momentum as well. We

knew they would be tough and it's great to win 9-0," Coach Halfpap said.

The Sea Gulls played well against NYU and the momentum carried over into their Sunday match against North Carolina Wesleyan, a match the team knew would not be easy.

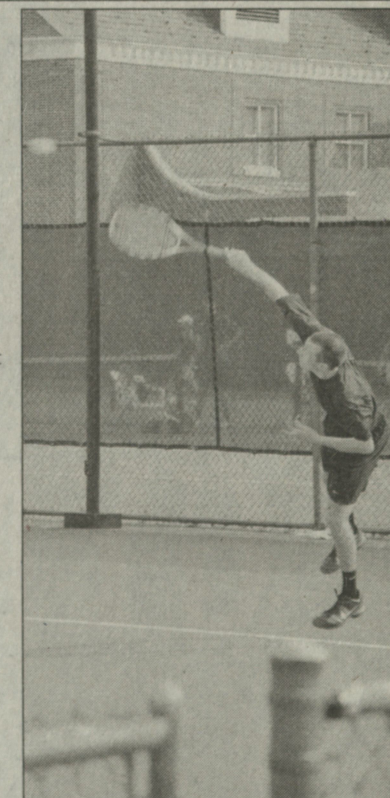
"They are tough and we never played them before, so we have to come out with as much hard work, energy and discipline tomorrow against them," Coach Halfpap said.

They did show the hard work, energy and discipline against the Battling Bishops of North Carolina Wesleyan but came up short 5-4. The match started well as the Sea Gulls had a 2-1 lead after the doubles matches. Eventually the match was tied 4-4 with one singles match left between SU's David Lupinetti and NC Wesleyan's David Minasyan.

After a victory in the first set by Lupinetti in a tiebreaker, Minasyan came back to win the final two sets to give the Battling Bishops the victory. They are undefeated on the season. Despite the loss, Coach Halfpap liked the effort the team showed.

"It was a tough match. We showed toughness, but had a real

Gulls beat NYU, fall to NCW



Kelly Robinson photo

Men's tennis beat NYU 9-0, but lost to NC Wesleyan 5-4.

tough loss in the last match. It's tough to lose, but I'm glad with the way we fought," Coach Halfpap said.

The next match for the Sea Gulls will be on their Spring Break Trip as they will face No. 11 ranked Bowdoin College in Pomona, Ca. on March 16.

Spring Break Closing Schedule

THURSDAY, MARCH 12
• University Park Satellite Dining last night open (5-8 p.m.)

FRIDAY, MARCH 13
• Caruthers, Hanson, Fulton & TETC Satellite Dining close at 2 p.m.
• Cool Beans closes at 3:30 p.m.
• The Gull's Nest & ECZ's close at 3:30 p.m.
• The Commons closes at 3:30 p.m.

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• Commons open for dinner (4:30-8 p.m.)
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Tuesday-3/10	Wednesday-3/11	Thursday-3/12	Friday-3/13	Saturday-3/14	Sunday-3/15	Monday-3/16
	2 p.m. Softball @ Christopher Newport	Women's Swimming NCAA Championship - Day 1	NCAA Division III Indoor Track and Field National Champs • Women's Swimming NCAA Championship - Day 2 2 p.m. Softball vs Geneseo St. in Sea Gull Invitational 4 p.m. Softball vs Swarthmore in Sea Gull Invitational	• NCAA Division III Indoor Track and Field National Champs • Women's Swimming NCAA Championship - Day 3 • Noon Women's Lacrosse @ Randolph-Macon 1 p.m. Baseball vs York (Pa.) 1 p.m. Softball vs Kean in Sea Gull Invitational 3 p.m. Softball vs Shenandoah in Sea Gull Invitational	• 10 a.m. Softball vs DePauw 2 p.m. Softball vs Plattsburgh St.	• Women's @ Whittier • Women's Tennis @ Laverne 5 p.m. Men's Tennis vs Bowdoin @ Pomona, California



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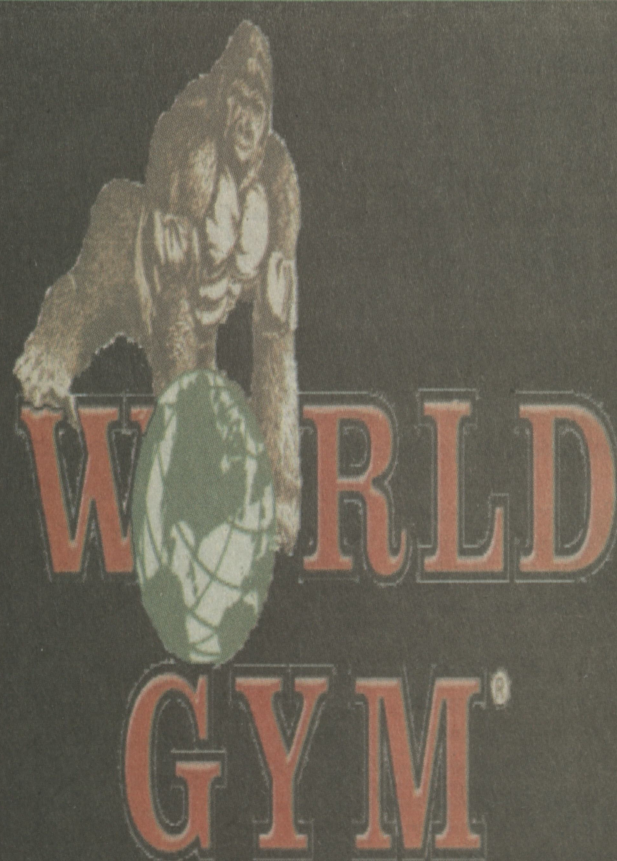
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Freshman Sea Gull Xavier Robertson leaps and flies during the track and field opener on Saturday.

Outdoor track runs out the gates

By Fred Hobbs
Staff Writer

Salisbury University hosted the first track and field meet to kick off the outdoor season of 2009. Coming into the meet, Salisbury's men and women were looking to dominate the entire meet from start to finish.

As the meet progressed throughout the day, so did the competition against Salisbury. Runners from Hood, Shenandoah and Gallaudet, among other schools, were competing to the very end in order to start off the year right. For most of the meet, Salisbury controlled the pace with good performances on both the women's and men's sides.

In women's field events, senior Jenn Bulger won the high jump with a jump of 1.47 m and junior Lindsey Metzler came in second with a jump of 1.42 m. Bulger had a great day for the Sea Gulls running as well. She finished first in the 400 m hurdles with a time of 1:10.40. She also wrapped up second in the 100 m hurdles with a time of 17.20.

Other notable women's results came from freshman Becca Stinner, who finished second in the 1500 m and third in the 800 m. Sophomore Megan Blue finished third in the 400 m hurdles and second in the 3000 m steeple chase. The women wrapped up the meet with a dominant victory in the 4x400 m relay.

The ladies were led by senior Lauren Foreman, who opened up the lead on the first leg.

In the men's events, there were many standouts. Freshman Paul Moore won the 400 m dash with a time of 49.50 and placed second in the 200 m dash. After a slow start in the 4x100 and 400 m, senior Wayne Turner fought on to win the 200 m dash with a time of 22.70.

"I took the frustration from the previous races and used it as a strength mechanism to a good 200 m," Turner said. "We are still becoming a strong team."

Other notables for the men were junior Cory Bebbe, who finished first for the men in 110m hurdles with a time of 14.90 and first in the 400 m hurdles with a time of 53.00. Freshman Jay Drenner won first in the men's shot put and hammer throw.

Assistant Coach Jim Jones was at the head for this season opening meet. "We had fine performances in the running events, throws and jumps," Jones said. "We're off to a good start, the possibilities are endless depending on how determined we are."

Salisbury kicked the season off to a good start and hopes to take this momentum into the rest of outdoor season. Salisbury's outdoor track and field team will be competing next on March 20 at the Wake Forest Open in Winston-Salem, N.C.

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